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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 09/955,554  
Filing Date: September 18, 2001  
Applicant: Vann, et al.  
Group Art Unit: 1743  
Examiner: P. Kathryn Bex  
Title: MATRIX STORAGE AND DISPENSING SYSTEM  
Attorney Docket: 9692-000008/COA

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR REFUND**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a refund of the fees paid in connection with the filing of the Supplemental Preliminary Amendment on December 4, 2002 (copy enclosed) in the above-identified application. In particular, the above Supplemental Preliminary Amendment was filed with a check for \$456.00 for sixteen (16) additional claims and two additional independent claims (copy enclosed). This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment was not entered due to the existing Election/Restriction Requirement dated November 15, 2002.

Accordingly, please credit our Account No. 08-0750 for \$456.00 calculated as follows:

- 288.00 (additional claims over twenty)  
- 168.00 (additional independent claims)  
\$456.00 (refund)

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Account No. 08-0750. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)  
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In re Application of Vann, et al.

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For MATRIX STORAGE AND DISPENSING SYSTEM

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1743

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows  
(check time period desired):

- ☒ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$110  
☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 08-0750.
- I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record.

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a). \_\_\_\_\_.

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Jan 19, 2003  
Date

Richard W. Warner  
Signature

Richard W. Warner

Typed or printed name

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☐ \*Total of \_\_\_\_\_ forms are submitted.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.1 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.